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think that if we should adopt a similar course, we should meet with great animadversion. A comparison of the ancient literature can only be useful after the student is thoroughly acquainted with Modern German. In Germany, the student of the University may be expected to have mastered in a great degree Modern German before he enters the university, while in our country the student of the university and college has to acquire this knowledge. It is therefore more incumbent upon us to see that, before the older dialects are laid before him, he is fully up in a knowledge of Modern German.

PROFESSOR HENRY R. LANG (New Bedford) next followed with a communication on

3. *The Face in the Spanish Metaphor and Proverb.**

Discussion. DR. HENRY A. TODD (Johns Hopkins University): As the hour is late, I shall say only a word, but it seems hardly fitting to allow this paper to pass without some discussion. It comes from one who has gained authority by long experience and by the publication of many results in this special line of research. It illustrates the fact that a subject pursued in a scientific manner will also present attractions as a matter of entertainment. There are advantages in the special consideration of a subject of this kind in that we have the idioms of the language brought into comparison with similar idioms in the language itself and in other languages outside. It has a wide bearing on the subject of folk-lore in general. For example, 'To go with the face uncovered,' we find an evident indication of the Moorish influence in Spain. So, in a thousand ways these studies throw light upon the subject of folk-lore. I should have been glad to suggest other lines of thought, but I shall detain the Association no longer at this time.

At this point, the Convention adjourned to partake of the bountiful and delightful luncheon provided by the Local Committee in the Halls of the University building. A fine opportunity was thus offered, without loss of time, to renew the social intercourse of the previous evening and to make further acquaintance with the newly arrived members and with the visitors in attendance on the Convention.

The Third Session was called to order at 2.30 P. M., PROFESSOR GARNETT in the chair, when a paper was presented by PROFESSOR SYLVESTER PRIMER (College of Charleston) on

4. *Charleston's Provincialisms.**

Discussion. PROFESSOR EDWARD S. JOYNES (South Carolina College): I am sorry, Mr. President, that I can contribute so little to this discussion. I am from South Carolina and Charleston is in South Carolina, but the language of Charleston is not the language of South Carolina. The provincialisms are as strange to us in Columbia as they would be to Philadelphia and almost anywhere else in the country.

*Cf. TRANSACTIONS in present volume for the full papers.